

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE

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The Honorable Tony Evers
Governor
115 East, State Capitol
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VIA EMAIL – eversinfo@wisconsin.gov

Dear Governor Evers:

Following the Supreme Court of the United States decision in *Dobbs v Jackson Women's Health Organization*, we write to you requesting that \$10 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) federal funding be immediately provided to pregnancy resource centers across Wisconsin.

This is a complex issue that may divide us in our personal beliefs; however, we have an opportunity to come together and find common ground to prevent unwanted pregnancies from occurring and support those unplanned pregnancies that do occur.

As people who are proudly pro-life, we do not condone the killing of innocent babies. Nearly half of Wisconsin citizens also have this belief, but being pro-life is more than just being against abortion; it also means providing the necessary resources, guidance, and support for expectant mothers.

Earlier this session, the Assembly voted to allow pharmacists to prescribe hormonal contraceptives to decrease unplanned pregnancies and, by doing so, decrease abortions. We all know the best way to prevent the need for abortions is by ensuring people take precautions.

Pregnancy resource centers help women navigate through a pregnancy, whether it's through medical services, bettering their economic circumstances, pregnancy/parental support, or adoption assistance, rather than resorting to killing their child. If a woman isn't ready to be a mother or thinks she can't afford a child, there are other options without ending a life.

Governor Evers, you have campaigned on bringing people together and said there is too much division in politics. While we do not agree on easy access to abortion, we should be able to agree on finding ways to prevent unwanted pregnancies. Providing \$10 million in ARPA dollars to better fund Wisconsin's pregnancy resource centers will support mothers throughout the pregnancy and help save the lives of countless children.

We hope you will agree and act on our request.

Sincerely,

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